

a¹ 1. (Amended) Antibody granule comprising one or more antibodies, or fragments derived thereof, granulated with an alkali metal salt.

3. (Amended) Antibody granule according to claim 1, wherein the granule consists for more than 80% of the alkali metal salt.

a² 4. (Amended) Antibody granule according to claim 1, further comprising a polymer.

5. (Amended) Antibody granule according to claim 1, wherein the antibody has a chemical equilibrium constant K_d for its antigen of less than 1×10^{-4} .

11. (Amended) Process according to claim 10, whereby the temperature is of 30°C or higher.

a³ 12. (Amended) Process according to claim 10, whereby the pH is kept at a value from 6.0 to 10.0.

Please add new claims 13-16 as follows:

13. (New) Antibody granule according to claim 1, wherein the granule consists for more than 90% of the alkali metal salt.

a⁴ 14. (New) Antibody granule according to claim 1, wherein the antibody has a chemical equilibrium constant K_d for its antigen of less than 1×10^{-6} .

15. (New) Process according to claim 10, whereby the temperature is from 30°C to 80°C.

16. (New) Process according to claim 10, whereby the pH is kept at a value from 7.0 to 9.0.